

Early Care and Education Governance

Does the state have dedicated capacity in the governor's office or an agency focused on supporting coordination among early care and education components?

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STATE ▲	DOES THE STATE HAVE DEDICATED CAPACITY IN THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OR AN AGENCY FOCUSED ON SUPPORTING COORDINATION AMONG EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION COMPONENTS?
Alabama	Yes, Department Head of Alabama Department of Early Childhood Education is a member of the Governor's Children's Cabinet
Alaska	Yes, Alaska Early Childhood Coordinating Council (see About the Advisory Entity (includes citation) for more information).
Arizona	Yes, Early Childhood Development and Health Board (First Things First) (see About the Advisory Entity (includes citation) for more information).
Arkansas	None located
California	None located
Colorado	None located
Connecticut	None located
Delaware	None located

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District of Columbia	Yes, State Early Childhood Development Coordinating Council (see About the Advisory Entity (includes citation) for more information); not related to the Division of Early Learning
Florida	None located
Georgia	None located
Hawaii	None located
Idaho	None located
Illinois	Yes; Illinois Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development
Indiana	None located
Iowa	Yes; Early Childhood Iowa State Board
Kansas	None located
Kentucky	Yes; Kentucky Governor's Office of Early Childhood
Louisiana	None located
Maine	Yes; Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future
Maryland	None located
Massachusetts	None located
Michigan	None located
Minnesota	None located
Mississippi	Yes; Mississippi State Early Childhood Advisory Council
Missouri	Yes; Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood

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Montana	None located
Nebraska	Yes; Nebraska Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council
Nevada	Yes; Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council
New Hampshire	Yes; New Hampshire Council for Thriving Children
New Jersey	None located
New Mexico	Yes; New Mexico Early Learning Advisory Council
New York	None located
North Carolina	None located
North Dakota	Yes; North Dakota Children's Cabinet
Ohio	Yes; Ohio Governor's Children's Initiative
Oklahoma	Yes; Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness
Oregon	Yes; Oregon Early Learning Council
Pennsylvania	Yes; Pennsylvania Early Learning Council
Rhode Island	None located.
South Carolina	Yes. South Carolina First Steps
South Dakota	None located.
Tennessee	None located.
Texas	Yes. Staff capacity in Texas Education Agency focused on coordination.

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Utah	Yes. Governor's Early Childhood Commission
Vermont	None located.
Virginia	None located.
Washington	None located.
West Virginia	None located.
Wisconsin	Yes. Wisconsin Office of Early Learning
Wyoming	None located.